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3. (Unclassified - [redacted] LIAISON I called Chairman Lucien Nedzi (D., Mich.), House Armed Services Committee, and informed him of the status of Representative Robert Michel's (R., Ill.) statement. I told him that we have had a look at Mr. Michel's final revised statement and had no problems with it. Mr. Nedzi asked for a copy of the statement and we have provided it.

I also discussed with Mr. Nedzi the package on the legality of covert action which some lawyers under contract to IC Staff had drawn up. I told him Searle Field, House Select Committee staff, had asked for the paper. I told him that this paper did not reflect the Agency's views on this matter.

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4. (Unclassified - [redacted] LIAISON Representative Bob Wilson (R., Calif.) called and asked if someone familiar with Rumania could come up and talk to him [redacted]

[redacted] OCI, and I met with Mr. Wilson this afternoon.

See Memo for the Record.

I also discussed the situation with respect to Representative Robert Michel's (R., Ill.) statement and the fact that I had asked Mr. Michel to contact Mr. Wilson and discuss his actions with him. Mr. Wilson said Mr. Michel has not contacted him as yet, but he would get in touch with him.

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5. (Internal Use Only - [redacted] LIAISON Talked to Mary Dooley, on the staff of the Subcommittee on Internal Security, Senate Judiciary Committee, and told her that in response to her earlier request we would send her the Agency publications entitled Soviet Economy 1974 Results and 1975 Prospects and the USSR Agriculture Atlas.

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6. (Internal Use Only - [redacted] LIAISON Spoke to Mickie Cleary, on the staff of Senator Robert J. Dole (R., Kan.), and told her that I would forward to her a copy of Mr. Colby's 26 January press conference in which he responded to the allegations that the Agency deflated the cost of items which were sent to Angola. She had requested this information for a constituent.

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7. (Internal Use Only - [redacted] LIAISON Holmes Brown, on the staff of Senator Floyd K. Haskell (D., Colo.), requested FBIS Daily Reports for the Middle East and Southeast Asia. I called FBIS Liaison to make the necessary arrangements.

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Tuesday - 17 February 1976

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1. (Unclassified - [redacted] LIAISON Left with Jim Michie, Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Practice and Procedure staff, a declassified version of part of the Agency's response to the questions posed by Senator Edward Kennedy (D., Mass.), in his letter of 25 September 1975 as per the request of the Subcommittee. This will be an exhibit to the Subcommittee's report and should close out this matter with the Subcommittee.

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2. (Unclassified - [redacted] FOIA Called Wayne Schley, in the office of Senator Ted Stevens (R., Alaska), and discussed Senator Stevens' letter of 3 February 1976 on behalf of Mr. Dick Korvola. I explained to STAT Schley how Mr. Korvola's requests were handled and the reasons for the delay to his FOI request. I also clarified with him that [redacted] mentioned in Korvola's letter to Senator Stevens was actually [redacted] of our office, with whom Schley had talked to concerning this matter. Schley felt that he will clarify this personally with Senator Stevens and STAT assured me it would be no problem. I told Schley that our full letter of explanation would be sent shortly.

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3. (Unclassified - [redacted] LEGISLATION Called Ken Lazarus, Associate Counsel to the President, and inquired as to the status of their review of our draft letter to the Chairmen of the Senate and House Judiciary Committees commenting on the private bill [redacted] to be introduced by Senator Charles McC. Mathias (R., Md.), and Representative Goodloe E. Byron (D., Md.). I was referred to the office of Mr. Ed Schmults, Deputy Counsel to the President. His secretary said she would check and have him call me back. I made clear to her that we had heard nothing to date.

Later in the day, Ken Lazarus called me back and asked that we give some rationale to justify the amount of compensation and suggested that we coordinate our response closely with Rex Lee and Mike Uhlmann, Department of Justice. He asked that our letter be finalized by next week.

I subsequently called Tom Martin, Department of Justice, who prepared State's draft report. We discussed the thrust of the Agency's letter. I will send him a copy of our draft tomorrow for Justice's review and comment.

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Wednesday - 25 February 1976

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1. (Internal Use Only) LIAISON Met with Paul Ahern, Legislative Assistant to Representative Robert McClory (R., Ill.), and discussed a letter to Mr. McClory from a constituent who sent a copy to the Agency. The letter expresses strong support for the Agency and the need for an effective oversight committee. During the discussion, Mr. Ahern noted that Mr. McClory's mail is overwhelmingly in support of the Agency and of McClory's effort to prevent publication of the Select Committee's report due to the classified information involved. Ahern added that McClory will do all he can for passage of the bill for protecting intelligence sources and methods, H. R. 12006, which he and several others supporting the Agency introduced.

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2. (Unclassified) FOIA Handcarried to the office of Representative Tom Harkin (D., Iowa), a copy of the Agency's response to a constituent's request under the FOIA. I was assured the response would be delivered unopened to Mr. Harkin to protect the privacy of the individual.

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Short expressed concern as to the future of the Subcommittee and the need for support to prevent its demise. Through the efforts of Senator Mark Hatfield (R., Ore.), the appropriation of the Subcommittee was drastically cut yesterday and if the cut remains they will not be able to continue to operate after June. I explained and he agreed that the Agency has no internal security responsibilities and that any support for the Subcommittee would best come from the FBI. I later ran into Al Tarabochia, Senior Investigator of the Subcommittee, and he also agreed that the support should come from the FBI. Tarabochia noted that Jim Angleton, former Chief, CI Staff, made a strong lobbying effort to continue the Subcommittee.

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10. (Unclassified - [redacted] CONSTITUENT I called Bob Samuel, in Representative James H. Scheuer's (D., N. Y.) New York office, in response to his call of 25 February. I told him that the privacy request of Jacob Goldsand had been processed and that Mr. Goldsand should be receiving a response within the next ten days.

Regarding the letter of Robert Angelone to the Director, I told Mr. Samuel that we would respond directly to Mr. Angelone thanking him for his offer and telling him that we were unable to accept his offer and that I would forward a copy of the letter to Samuel for his use with the constituent.

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11. (Internal Use Only - [redacted] LIAISON Called Al Timothy, on the staff of Senator James McClure (R., Idaho), in response to his call to Mr. Cary. There is to be a Senate floor vote Monday on the reduction of the operating funds of the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Internal Security. McClure will offer amendments and requested a background briefing as to the "subversion in the U.S." I explained to Timothy that matters involving internal security rest with the FBI and not the Agency. We would not, therefore, be able to contribute. After discussion, he felt that the Agency could contribute on the basis of a briefing on the worldwide Communist threat, international terrorism and other threats which the U.S. should be continuously aware of. He said he would discuss this with McClure and call back if such a briefing is desired.

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12. (Unclassified [redacted] LIAISON Called Tom Martin, Department of Justice, and inquired as to the status of their review of the Agency's draft letter to the Chairmen of the Senate and House Judiciary Committees commenting on the private bill on [redacted] He was STAT aware that Senator Charles McC. Mathias (R., Md.), had introduced the bill yesterday (S. 3035). He said that they do have comments and they will be in touch with me tomorrow.

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13. (Unclassified [redacted] PRIVACY Called Frank Reeder, OMB, and discussed the procedures for reporting any new or previously unreported record systems to the Congress under the provisions of the Privacy Act. The call was prompted by my discussion with [redacted] DDA, who is preparing the Agency report advising the Congress of two unreported systems.

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